Forget Flu Season!

Just kidding. The fall/winter flu season is here, so ask your doctor about preventive options. Meanwhile, the library has remedies for other afflictions. No co-pay, no deductible, no cost!



DEER FEVER MAKING YOU SEE BLAZE ORANGE? FIND RELIEF AT OUR FREE CLINIC Enter Deer Antler

Showdown & Showoff, an open-to-all-ages contest held with *Deer Health Report* (see inside). Enter deer antlers from Virginia only & legally collected as sheds or lawfully harvested. Identify entries with your name & deliver to Christine Arena @ Main Library. Call before drop-off: 483-3098 x2441. Prizes, on display now, awarded in traditional & non-traditional categories such as "tiniest" & "quirkiest." All entries returned





with our American fiction reading group & enjoy 1-hour book chats & coffee at The Whole Bean in Rocky Mount. First chat: Oct. 4, 10:15-11:15am, with books, loaned for free, distributed then. Gatherings continue every

other Wed., 10:15-11:15am, through Nov. 29. A potluck lunch on Dec. 8, 11:15-1pm, will feature foods inspired by the books. One lucky reader will receive a full set of the books. Attending all the chats is encouraged but not mandatory. Sign up with Christine Arena: 483-3098 x2441. No cost to participate!

Main Library 355 Franklin St. Rocky Mount, VA 24151 (540) 483-3098 opt 0



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Westlake Branch 84 Westlake Rd., #109 Hardv. VA 24101

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WESTLAKE STARTS "ITSY BITSY INFANTS" (see inside)

OCTOBER @ MAIN LIBRARY

Deer Health Report with Antler Contest. 10/3. 6PM. A Virginia Game & Inland Fisheries biologist gives the lowdown on the health of the local deer population. Program caps off with antler contest (see back cover). Reserve a seat @ 483-3098 opt 0

Change the World, One Community at a Time. 10/12. 5:30PM. Want to participate in grassroots organizing? Run for political office? Develop leadership skills? Get inspired watching Alice's Ordinary People, followed by Q&A with its filmmaker. Alice Tregay fought injustice in the 1960s onward. Her revolutionary techniques for advocacy & political campaigning are used today. Reserve a seat @ 483-3098 opt 0

Meet & Greet Local Authors. 10/14. Drop-in: 11AM-2PM. Meet local authors, discuss writing & publishing, buy & get books signed. With refreshments

Fall Paper Crafting Workshops. 10/17. 1-3PM. 1PM: Decorative treat packets for candy, granola bars, fruit leather, etc. 2PM: Pumpkin banners. Limited to 10 participants per workshop. Register for either or both: 483-3098 opt 0. Free

A Spine Tingling Evening with Sharyn McCrumb & "The Unquiet Grave."

10/23. 6PM. Ms. McCrumb's latest book tells the story of the Greenbrier Ghost, the haunted spirit of a young woman. She will discuss & sign copies of her book, on sale that evening. **Tickets required. Starting Thurs., Oct. 5, 8:30AM, pick up tickets, 2 per person, @ Main. Pick ups must be in person. Phone reservations not available. 1st come, 1st served. Free

Take Control of Your Long Term Care. 10/26. 6PM. Daily living needs often increase with aging, becoming costly for you & your family. The Connor Group explains how to protect your home & savings and ensure the kind of care you expect. With refreshments

Every Month

Mahjong. Every Monday. 1PM
Senior Scholars Book Club. 1st Tues of month. 10AM. Essig Center
Friends of Main Library Book Sale. 2nd Sat of month. 8:30-12:30PM
Stampin' Up! 3rd Wed of month. Adults, 1PM. Kids, 3:30PM. \$5 each

OCTOBER @ WESTLAKE LIBRARY

DMV Connect. 10/3. 9AM-1PM. Conducting all DMV transactions except vital records & testing. Use DMV Connect to apply for or renew an ID card, driver's license, obtain a copy of your driving record & more. Held inside library.

American Red Cross Blood Drive. 10/10. 10AM-3PM. Schedule a donation appointment at redcrossblood.org using Sponsor Code WestlakeLibrary

Anna Telford's Story. 10/17. 3PM. Ms. Telford, born in Czechoslovakia to German parents, shares her experience living in Germany during World War II.

Walking Wednesdays. 9AM. Build brain power, lower stress & increase your creativity every Wednesday. Rain or shine, meet inside library to enjoy a poem, then head out for a 1-mile route with the option to walk a 2nd mile. Walks no more than 1 hour. Wear weather appropriate, comfortable clothes & shoes.

GENEALOGY CLASSES @ MAIN LIBRARY

Classes except scrapbooking require registration: 483-3098 opt o

DATE & TIME	TOPIC
10/11, 11/8 1-3PM: Drop-in	SCRAPBOOKING Bring family photos & other memorabilia
10/13 1-4PM	FORENSIC DNA DNA testing can reveal ethnicity & ancestral connections. The Franklin County Sheriff's Office explains how to use DNA collected by law enforcement in genealogical research
10/17 6-7:45PM 11/14 1/23/2018	FAMILYSEARCH DATABASE Each class covers a different topic. See registration forms @ Main's Front Desk (Note: No December class)
10/25 1-4PM	MILITARY RECORDS Using Fold ₃ & other military records

OCTOBER CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

Westlake Branch

TODDLER TIME 10:30AM	STORY TIME 11AM	
Every W & Th,	Every W & Th,	
except for 10/11	except for 10/11	
& 10/12	& 10/12	

LEGO CLUB: 6PM
2 nd & 4 th Thurs
For K-6. Drop in

BUILDING UP STEAM!	AGES 5-11	
Every month: (2) STEAM programs on the same topic, one in the morning & one after school. Choose either session.	Space limited. Registration required: 483-3098 opt 2	
10/5	4PM	
10/6	10:30AM	

Announcing "Itsy Bitsy Infants"

Need to get out of the house? Craving conversation with other adults?
Starting Oct. 20, 10:30AM, join us every month for free coffee, refreshments & conversation. Bring your baby, birth to walking. New &



expectant parents & caregivers welcome. Held @ Westlake

Branch. For info, call Lecia Smith: 483-3098 x2448

OCTOBER CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

Main Branch

TODDLER TIME	STORY TIME
Tues	Wed or Fri
10:30AM	10:30AM

LEGO CLUB: 4PM
2 nd Tues or 4 th Thurs
each month
Ages 5-10
Must register:
483-3098 opt 1

Geology + Art = Rock Out!

Decorate a rock to keep for yourself or hide in the library, a park or other place for someone to find as a treasure.

10/18. 1-5PM. All ages. Free. Drop in

FAN CLUB	AGES 13-18	
Participants determine Fan Club activities & themes. Examples of past themes: "Middle Earth," "Comic Books," "Doctor Who." Free snacks. No registration necessary.	For info: 483-3098 opt 1	
Sat 10/28, 2-3PM Mon 10/30, 5-6PM	Attend either or both dates!	